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- c. A specification containing:
  - i. <u>16</u> pages of description prior to the claims;
  - ii. <u>3</u> pages of claims (<u>5</u> claims <u>2</u> Independent);
  - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- d. <u>9</u> sheets of drawings: (Figures <u>1-4, 4A, 5-7, 8A-8C</u>);
- 4. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
- 5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
- 6. A copy of the executed Assignment to <u>Broadcom Corporation</u> as originally filed in U.S. Appl. No. <u>10/208,044</u>, recordation of which is hereby respectfully requested;
- 7. A copy of the executed Power of Attorney from Assignee as filed in U.S. Appl. No. 10/208,044;
- 8. An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS);
- 9. A listing of the cited documents on Form PTO-1449 (*1 page*); (Copies of the documents were cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in an IDS that complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)-(c) in Application No. 10/208,044, filed July 31, 2002 and Application No. 10/338,918, filed January 9, 2003, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Thus, copies of these documents are not attached). (37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d));
- 10. Two (2) return postcards; and
- 11. Credit Card Payment Form for \$790.00 to cover: \$750.00 Filing fee for patent application; and \$\_40.00 Assignment recordation fee.

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